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To: Board of County Commissioners
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Subject: CSU Extension (CSUE) Advisory Committee Appointments
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Staff Memo

On March 9, 2021 and again on March 23, 2021 the Board of County Commissioners (BOCC) interviewed six resident applicants who wish to serve as volunteers on the Summit County CSUE Advisory Committee. The purpose of this Staff Memo is to request the BOCC appoint the six previously interviewed applicants to the Summit County CSUE Advisory Committee. The CSUE By-Laws state the committee may have between 5-9 members.

CSUE Advisory Committee

CSUE is administered by the campus based Office of Engagement and Extension. CSUE has a presence in 61 of Colorado’s 64 counties. To expand the educational reach to a wide audience, volunteer Advisory Committees are an important link to the community. The Summit County Advisory Committee will review and recommend approaches to the implementation of the Board approved CSUE work plan. Additionally, they will review the university driven CSUE needs assessment outcomes to help identify issues the local CSUE staff could address. The following table lists the six people who expressed an interest in serving on the CSUE Advisory Committee.

Name	Town of residence	brief background & current status
Sally DeLong	Frisco	Was a youth workforce development and career technical educator. Is retired and interested in supporting her community.
Tom Koehler	Frisco	Was the director of research for a wealth management company. Is the founder of the Summit County non-profit <i>Sustainable Hiker</i> .
Terry Startzel	Keystone	Is retired from the corporate world. Is interested in building community through natural resources activities.
Mary Gessner	Frisco	Is a retired research scientist. Teaches Algebra at Colorado Mountain College. Served on the Summit County Library Board. Was a 4-H participant in her youth.
Phil Davis	Silverthorne	Graduated from Colorado State University. Is a retired Chemistry Professor from Tennessee. Worked with 4-H in Tennessee and was a 4-H participant in his youth.
Stan Katz	Silverthorne	Has an economics background. Was a New Jersey Board of Education representative. Is an active supporter of the Mountain Scholars program.

Conclusion

Based on direction from the BOCC, staff recommends the BOCC appoint the six applicants listed above to serve on the CSUE Advisory Committee. Once candidates are appointed, CSUE staff will follow the CSU requirement to have each person go through the university background check process.